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## **AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

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Honorable Sir:

This is a reply to the Notice of Non-Compliance dated March 13, 2009 regarding the above-identified patent application. The Notice of Non-Compliance was in response to a paper filed by the Applicant on December 10, 2008, in response to an Office Action dated August 21, 2008, which was the required submittal for a Request for Continued Examination filed December 10, 2008.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.

A check in the amount of \$65.00 and a Petition for a one month extension of time are attached.